THE QUESTION OF A COMMISSION

Ten Thousand Letters Mailed Today to Business Men and Leading Citizens.

MEETING ON THIS AFTERNOON.

Petitions to the People to Take up Urgent Labor With Their Representatives in Legislature,

The controversy over whether or not there should be a railroad commission for the State of Utah, promises to become a problem as important as the consolidation matter before the next session of the legislature.

Despite the fact that the Real Estate association has taken a stand against the proposed commission on the grounds that it is not an opportune time to urge it just when so many railroads are heading this way, with an application for admission to the borders of the state, the Manufacturers and Merchants' association seems de-termined to press its cause to the limit

The propaganda of the Merchants and Manufacturers, it is claimed, seems to be acquiring support. Its officers declared today that the board of governors of the Commercial club, the State Wool Growers' association, the Butchers and Grocers' association, and a large number of prominent business men, acting individually, are offering them aid, and urging them to continue

TEN THOUSAND LETTERS.

Today a series of 10,000 letters are being sent to business men and leading citizens over the state, who are interested in freight rates. In these letters the reasons for a commission are given, and it is urged that the receivers expected by return real thair endorsement. press by return mail their endorsement or objection to the movement. President Hewlett stated this morning that they looked for a hard fight ahead and had been organizing for it been organizing for it for many

WANT CHEAPER COAL.

"If necessary," he added, "we have funds back of us in plenty to buy up every inch of bill board space in Utah, and placard the state with our announcements of the need for a commission. This matter of \$5 coal, where it is mined at our very doors, and the fact that Omaha brewerles can ship beer clear from Omaha to Sait Lake at a rate less than Mr. Fisher can ship it from Sait Lake out to Green River in his own territory, are all working out in bringing support to your case and the support is much more determined and agreestice than one is liable to and aggressive than one is liable to think who is not closely in touch with commercial bodies.

THE TEXAS COMMISSION.

Mr. Hewlett also stated that notwithstanding the claim is made that the Texas commission has been a failure he has received this morning a letter branding this as false. It is written by the chairman and states that the com-mission failed only in that it did no secure lower passenger rates and this was because it found them fair and just. The commissioner offers to come to Utah if he is needed to lecture over the state on the work his commission has done.

The association is now preparing an-

other series of 10,000 letters, stronger than the first, asking all people interested to work with the legislative mem-bers from their districts, and inform them of their desire in the railroad

MEETING THIS AFTERNOON. The subject of a railroad commission will be the topic for discussion at a special meeting of the M. & M. board of directors to be held this afternoon. Monday evening another meeting will be held at which the plan will be fur-ther discussed. Mr. Hewlett says that the resources of the association have been collected for the express purpose of making this fight, and that they will be used to the limit as necessity com-pels, while the disposition of the per-chants seems to be to contribute still further as demanded on the propaganda of \$3 coal for Salt Lake as one of the first practical results. The association ms to have direct evidence that number of manufacturing concerns have refused to locate here on account of the coal prices and the freight rates, after finding all other conditions fa-

"HE LIED TO LUMBERMEN." Wail of a Shipper Brings Forth a Few Stanzas.

General Freight Agent J. A. Reeves

of the Oregon Short Line received the following poetic effusion through the mall this morning, possibly from a

"And who are you?" the devil asked
As a man knocked at his gate.
"Oh, I'm a railread man," he said,
"Please open, for I can't wait."

"Why do you want to come down here-This place of groans and tears?"

The man's frame shook with anguish And his ashen face showed fears.

He said: "On earth I had no peace. My life was full of jars. I lied to all the lumbermen Because they wanted cars."

This is no place for you.

This hold is full of lumbermen

Just waiting to put you through. "They've got a cast-iron freight car All heated through and through. They've waited now so very long There's demurrage charge on you."

The devil said: "Go 'way, poor man,

MORE WORK FOR PINKERTON.

Chief Surgeon for O. S. L. to Act for Utah Light & Railway.

On, or shortly after, Jan. 1, Dr. Sam-uel H. Pinkerton, chief surgeon for the Oregon Short Line, will have his jurisdiction extended to cover the Utah Light & Rallway company, taking the position held for years by Dr. Joseph S. Richards. As company doctor, Dr. Pinkerton and his assistants will not only look after the health of the employees but take charge of such accl. ployes, but take charge of such acci-

dent cases as may arise.

Dr. Pinkerton has long been regarded as one of the leading physicians and surgeons of the west, and is a man the Short Line employes swear by,

T. J. DUDDLESON. HERE

T. J. Duddleson, formerly division superintendent on the Oregon Short Line at Pocatello, is here today en route to Cobre, Nev., where he goes as superintendent of the Nevada Northern railroad on Jan. 1. Mr. Duddleson is taking in city life prior to being exiled on the desert with nothing to occupy his mind but plenty of hard work.

TRACKS ARE SOFT.

Frequent Derailments Are in Order on Streetcar Lines.

With the prevailing rainy weather the physical condition of the tracks of the Utah Light & Railway company are in a very bad condition. Loose joints, soft spots and spreading rails joints, soft spots and spreading rails are the order of the day especially on the East Seventh south and Waterloo lines. In consequence "the little red wagon" is working over-time. Yesterday portions of double tracks were operated as single tracks owing to derailed cars and this morning two cars went off at Ninth East and Fourth South during the early rush hour. South during the early rush hour.

All reports to the contrary notwithstanding the company has not yet got

standing the company has not yet got down to the point where orders have been placed for ties, cars and additional heavy steel. At present the officials of the company are making up a report covering the requirements. It is understood that among the recommendations will be one asking for a concrete roadbed for the tracks along some of the soft stretches on the War. ome of the soft stretches on the terioo line. In any case there is so much work to be done that the public cannot anticipate modern rapid transit until next winter, if then.

ORDERS FOR CARS.

Will Take Until 1908 to Fill All That Are Placed.

Purchasing agents report great diffiand equipment in these piping times of prosperity. According to one gentleman this morning, who is in touch with the situation, orders for steel cars have come so thick and fast during the past few months that the big plants already have enough orders on hand to fill to occupy their attention until the latter part of 1908. Steel mills and equipment plants also are rushed with orders on hand for the next 12 months, if they do not book

SPIKE AND RAIL

The Sanpete Valley, in addition to a prosperous freight year, has hauled 2,-400 tons of beets out of the north end

J. Wallen of Ogden has entered upon his new duties as general foreman of the shops at Sparks, Nev., in place of A. Breene, who was temporarily in

The Pocatello Tribune is getting its railroad news from Salt Lake by the simple process of clipping the stuff from the Salt Lake papers and putting a Salt Lake date line on it and calling it a special to the Tribune.

The townsite of Filer, Ida., is to be resurveyed, owing to the approaching advent of the railroad. The O. S. L. depot, it is claimed, is to be located on the property of H. B. Lorain.

Next month Union Pacific employes will not be required to pay the usual 50 cents to the company hospital fund. The fund has now reached such proportions that the company will from ing the monthly hospital fee.

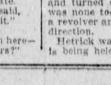
WOULD-BE BURGLAR.

Aged Man Hit Him on Head With a Heavy Poker.

(Special to the "News.")

Bingham, Dec. 26 .- A would-be burglar came to grief here at an early hour this morning. About 6 o'clock a. m., a German named Lee Hetrick attempted to break into the tailor establishment of August Lund, when the latter suddenly appeared at the door and struck the intruder over the head with a poker. Lund slammed the door and turned out the lights. His action was none too quick, for Herick pulled a revolver and fired two shots in Lund's

Hetrick was placed under arrest, and is being held pending an examination.



It does seem to us as though every man in town must be wearing some beautiful thing which came from this store.

We never sold so many things at Christmas,

We never telt any better over the things we sold.

TEach one reflected credit on the giver and the sender.

9On the seller, too,

That's us.

Richard Tou Vadames C.



The above quality identification mark was the sign of sure appreciation on many a Xmas package.

It is the sign of quality and appreciation always.

Just the sweetest, richest and purest confection unadulterated materials and skilled hands can make.

Manufacturing Confectioners

Theater-Maude Fealy's charming personality and the boom that always personality and the boom that always comes with Christmas day at amusement piaces, proved the salvation of "The Iliusion of Beatrice." The play was stale, flat, and unprofitable, and it is amazing how a manager of John Cort's experience, and an actress of Miss Fealy's general gifts should be ing company were all clever people, and it was specialy pleasant to notice our old friends of the Frawley and Cum-mings companies, Harrington Reynolds and Blanche Douglas, who were both as

good as ever.

The company drew a large house
Christmas eve , a handsome matinee,
and people were turned away from the Christmas night performance.

ous comedy entitied "Buster Brown" opens an engagement which will run opens an engagement which will run-till Friday, with matiness both Thurs-day and Friday afternoon. The only performances of "The Sultan of Sulu" take place Saturday afternoon and eve-

Orpheum—The Orpheum presents' a unique feature this week in that there is a ventriloquist on the bill, who instead of being a bore, is its most entertaining number. Despite most entertaining number. Despite the fact that he is easily the headliver, the other acts are good, and combine to make an entertainment of more than average merit. Trovoilo, the ventriloquist, displays his powers with the assistance of a "dummy" whose service is in the capacity of a bell and elevate both. elevator boy in a hotel where Tro-vollo is clerk. He doesn't provide a dry moment in his act, and this may also be said of most of the others.

Willa Holt Wakefield does some song readings, and while she is the third performer who has featured this specialty during the season, her act is different enough from the others to be saved from triteness. Blake and Jones have an act of singing and dancing that is suitable for two colored people, and as the steps are as difficult as any ever seen here, the act is acceptable. The Knight Brothers and Sawtelle alo have a dancing act that is among the best in its line, despite the it that the line is almost overworked.

good at a business in which they folformers. The Smallest Show on Earth," which closes the evening, is a clever thing made up of a man, a cat, and two dogs, traveling under the name of "Fox and Foxie." One of the dogs is dressed up as a pony and they do stunts which send the audience home in a good humor. The kinodrome presents holiday subjects under the title of "The Frolics of Satan" which are better than the usual pictures of scenery or adventure. tures of scenery or adventure.

It is a piece of the melo-dramatic char-It is a piece of the melo-dramatic character that borders on sensationalism almost from start to finish. There is more of the blood and thunder in it than has been seen in any show at the Grand in many a day, and at times the audience is wrought up to a high pitch of enthusiasm. The scene where the Indian rescues the girl who has been thrown over the precines, is of an thrown over the precipios, is of an exceedingly hair-raising nature, and people who witness it are inclined to either stand on the seats or to close their eyes until the daring feat has been accomplished. "At Cripple Creek" ends its engagement here Saturday

Lyric-"A Desperate Chance," the play given by the Lyric stock company, proved to be decidedly interesting to the patrons of the little playhouse and they were practically unanimous in the opinion that the production ranks with the best seen at the Lyric this season. A special matinee was given yesterday afternoon and was largely attended as was last evening's performance. The usual matinee was given today and there will be another on Saturday. Members of the company deserving special mention for excellent work are Miss Ethel Lindsay, Carl Gillham and

Alan Elmore. The parts were well sustained, and the company is a well balanced one. The bill runs throughout the week,

CONDITIONS IN 'FRISCO.

Glen Miller Says There is no Truth in Earthquake Stories.

days here from San Francisco, reports as without foundation the stories told in Salt Lake and elsewhere about the recurrence of earthquakes at San Francisco, and says he has not noticed such recurrences, although he has been there for a long time. Mr. Miller is glad to report the city as free from burglaries and holdups, which were found to have been committed by a mere handful of men, and the worst offender is now under a death sentence. He is a man, named Dabney, compar fresh from the farm, and a person who would not naturally be suspected of be-ing engaged in such nefarious operafor what there was in it, has got out of almself as now ready to pay the penal-

ty with his life.

Mr. Miller said building material is being received at a fairly rapid rate, so that operations in this line are progressthat operations in this line are progressing with satisfactory speed. The burned district is being built up, and mechanics and laborers are being advertised for at any price. Mr. Miller is very sanguine as to the outlook for San Francisco, where all the business possible is being transacted. The trouble

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS. Civil Service Examinations to be Held Next Month.

There will be civil service examinations, Jan. 16 next, for the position of Rodman, with the quartermaster's department at large, at Boise, Ida., at \$900 per annum; on Jan. 23, for position as teacher, with the Indian service, at \$540 to \$640 per annum; also, for the position of vignette engraver, in the bureau of engraving and printing, at \$2,200 per annum; also, for the position of cook; as follows: Rapid City, S. D., \$500; Agricultural school, N. D., \$480; Zunt, N. M., \$540; Ponca, Okla., \$480; Fort Bidwell, Cai., \$500; Bena, Mnn., \$400; Pima, Ariz., \$540; Western Naveljo Ariz., \$540; Haskell, Kan., \$600; Greengille, Cai., \$480; Truxton Canyon, Ariz. ville, Cal., \$480; Truxton Canyon, Ariz., \$540; Western Shoshone, Nev., \$480; Lemhi, Ida., \$500; Second Mesa, Ariz. Lemhi, Ida., \$500; Second Mesa, Ariz., \$480; also, for the position of kinder-garten teacher, Indian service, \$300 per annum, at Fort Apache, A. T.; also, for the position of tariff clerk, interstate commerce commission, at \$500 per annum; also, for the position of baker (woman) at \$500 per annum, with the Indian service at Carson, Nev., or at Hoopa Valley, Cal.; also, for the position of clerk-translator-type writist (man), bureau of plant industry, department of agriculture, at \$1,400 per (man), bureau of plant industry, department of agriculture, at \$1.400 per annum—a knowledge of Dutch is desired; also, for the position of messenger, bureau of standards, department of commerce and labor, at \$720 per annum. Applicants for this last position must have had some experience in handling, packing and unpacking delicate scien-tific instruments, or delicate china or

QUIET WEDDING CEREMONY

Performed Last Night and Ended Stage Career of Miss Christensen.

In a very quiet wedding ceremony, held just before the midnight hour closed Christmas day, the stage career of Miss Cora M. Christensen was ended last night, and a new career as mistress of a Salt

and a new career as mistress of a Salt Lake home was begun.

The man in the case is Charles M. Hendricks, a proofreader on the Intermountain Republican, who has known Miss Christensen for a number of years, and who has loved her for almost as long. The lady came to Salt Lake with the company playing "The Illusions of Beatrice," and her role was that of Miss Merriweather. After the ceremony she departed for Denver with the company, to play through the two weeks required as a minimum notice of leaving the stage, while her husband went back to work pending the return of his wife to the home he is preparing for her in this city.

Harry McRoy, a close friend of Mr. Hendricks, spent Christmas evening with him, preparing for the marriage while the bride went through her role in the theater play. Following the performance she was driven to the residence of Rev. P. A. Simpkin where the ceremony was performed, it was followed by a dinner at a downtown restaurant. Mr. Hendricks first met his bride in Denver, where they both resided for some time.

LATE LOCALS.

Bank Clearings-Yesterday's local bank clearings amounted to \$1.239,-773.06 as against \$948,173.91 for the same day last year,

Against the Increase—Manager F. Browning of the Royal cafe explains in a letter to the "News" regarding the prices of meals at Sait Lake restaurents, that his cafe is not contemplating any increase, in spite of the fact that all lines of restaurant supplies are raising in price.

Given Six Months-The case of Sam uel Stainer, charged with forgery and passing a forged instrument, was heard before Judge Diehl this morning. The charges were reduced to petit larceny to which Stainer pleaded guilty and the court sentenced him to six morths herd labor in the county six months hard labor in the county

Examination Ended-The examina-

tion of the three applicants for the Senator Smoot appointment to West Point has been concluded and the pa-pers are being graded. The commit-tee in charge of the examination will be ready to report the results to Sena-ter Smoot on Friday morning at 10 Real Estate Deals-The following

realty transfers were recorded yes-terday afternoon; Sarah F. Cook to A. Fred Wey, 68x39 feet on Second East street, between Second and Third South streets, \$5,000; Neils A. Fred-erickson to John E. Busby, 43 4x52 feet, at Second West and Third South

Prospects For Rain—There is every prospect for rainy weather for the next two days, as there is an extended low barometric area covering the en-tire coast line and rapidly coming this way. But a lower temperature is ex-pected by tomorrow. Light showers began falling last evening, and this morning was also showery, so that the walking is anything but pleasant.

Work Well Done—Postmaster Thomas has good reason to feel gratified, as with all the increased work of the office caused by the rapid growth of the city and the proportionate in-crease of postoffice work, the clerks and force generally have handled all the business with such celerity that the office is right up to date in its operation, and this morning's mails were taken in hand just as soon as they arrived, as all the Christmas trat-fic was out of the way. Postmaster Thomas plunged right into the work himself, and labored as hard as any

Doing Good Service-There is a pair of crutches in the county attorney's of-fice that is doing good service now days and is going the rounds among those in the office. The first to use them was Asst. County Atty. Job P. Lyon who sprained his ankle about two weeks ago and was compelled to hebble around on crutches for two weeks. The crutches had hardly got cold again before Asst. County Atty. Hanson met with an accident at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium in which he sprained his ankle and broke a small bone in his leg. The crutches were then handed over to him and he is now using them to good advantage. The only question in the minds of County Atty. Christensen and his stenographer. Miss Woodmansee, is who will be next to have to use the now famous sticks. They are doing their very best to avoid accidents so as to break the hoodoo which appears to have attached itself to the office within the last few weeks. By the way, Parley might use stilts.

Family Reunion—Bishop Joseph Warburton of the First ward enjoyed a reunion of his family, consisting of 53 members, Christmas day. The 53 members, Christmas day. The First ward meetinghouse was beautifully decorated with evergreens, holly and bunting, where the family assem-bled at 2 o'clock to partake of a most sumptuous turkey dinner. The bishop made an appropriate little speech from the head of the table, reminding those present that 55 years ago he and his wife, "just the pair," had come to this country and when the extent of the present family was concontrol of the present family was considered he felt this was not a bad country to live in. After dinner the family repaired to the adjoining room where all the business possible is being transacted. The trouble there as here, is to secure goods from manufacturers. The maintenance of the refugee camps has been carefully systematized, and the troubles that obtained there have been reduced to a minimum.

Schumann-Heink, the world's greatest contraito. First Methodist church, New Year's eye. Tickets at Clayton's, in the history of this big family ended, lossed the felt this was not a bad country to live in. After dinner the family repaired to the adjoining room where a beautiful, well laden Christmas tree in sparkling glow stood with Santa Clause in attendance. Presents were passed to every member of the family and throughout the day the bounteous baskets full of good things were patronized by all. A fitting program in which the members of the family participated, closed the felt this was not a bad country to live in. After dinner the family repaired to the adjoining room where a beautiful, well laden Christmas tree in sparkling glow stood with Santa Clause in attendance. Presents were passed to every member of the family and throughout the day the bounteous baskets full of good things were patronized by all. A fitting program in which the members of the family repaired to the adjoining room where a beautiful, well laden Christmas tree in sparkling glow stood with Santa Clause in attendance. Presents were passed to every member of the family repaired to the adjoining room where a beautiful, well laden Christmas tree in sparkling glow stood with Santa Clause in attendance. Presents were passed to every member of the family repaired to the adjoining room where a beautiful, well laden Christmas tree in sparkling glow stood with Santa Clause in attendance. Presents were passed to every member of the family repaired to the adjoining room where a beautiful, well laden Christmas tree in sparkling glow stood with Santa Cl

RESIGNS M. & M. SECRETARYSHIP

Important Rate Adjustment Position.

DIFFERENCES WITH OFFICERS.

Said to Have Disapproved of Railroad Commission and "Spectacular" Challenge to Debate Question.

made that Orvin Morris of the Manufacturers and Merchants' association had tendered his resignation, as secretary and active working head of the organization, and that his place had been filled by Mr. C. O. Harris, formerly manager of the Independent Telephone company of this city. Mr. Morris left the employ of the as sociation last night, and when called up by telephone late this afternoon, refused absolutely to discuss his rea-

sons therefor. From another sourseft however, it was learned that Mr. Morris disproved very strongly of the association's efforts to secure a railroad commission, at least of some of the means to that end, and that he likewise strongly criticised what was termed a "grand stand play" at the challenge of the association to debate the general railroad commission and rate situation.

PATRIARCH WEST DEAD.

Pioneer of the Fifties Goes to Rest at Age of 80 Years.

Another pioneer and faithful worker in the cause of truth has gone to his rest, in the death of Patriarch Jesse West. Mr. West passed from mortality on Monday night at 11:30 in this rity, the cause being general debility. Funeral services will be held at the Sixth ward meetinghouse tomorrow af-ternoon beginning at 1 o'clock. Friends may view the remains at the residence of J. T. Waterhouse, Islington court, between the hours of 10 and 12 on the day of the funeral.

Patriarch West was born at Wash-borough, Derbyshire, England, on March 30, 1827. He emigrated to Utah in 1850, crossing the plains with an ox team. He has lived in Salt Lake ever since that time and was well known and be-

Mr. West leaves six children, as follows: Alma Henry, Orson M., Nephi T., Matilda Rupp, Eliza Fenton and Nellie May Waterhouse. GROCERY STORE ROBBED.

C. J. Foulger's Place of Business Broken Into by Burglars.

glars some time Monday night and considerable property carried away. Entrance was gained by tearing off the shutter and breaking the glass to the front window. The front door was also broken. The discovery of the burglary was not made until early Tuesday morning when a friend of Mr. Foulger crawled in through the broken window and notified him over the telewindow and notified him over the tele-phone. The exact amount of goods secured has as yet not been ascer-tained. All of the best cigars, five or six boxes in number, and 10 of his one pound boxes of candy are missing. A candle was found on the counter which had been used by the thieves showing them about. Mr. Foulger has offered a reward of \$10 for the arrest and con-

Joe Siegel has gone east on a pur-chasing trip to be gone five or six

Chief Vail of the fire department left Monday night for a 15 days' rest to be spent on the coast.

McCammon, Ida., miller and busi-ness man, is a guest at the Wilson. Judge H. W. Lockhart, former chairman of the Democratic state commit-tee of Idaho, is down from Pocatello

Miss Alice Wolfgang and Miss Lulu Bowen will leave Saturday morning. for Denver to spend a week there visiting with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Eaton of Inyo coun-Mr. and Mrs. H. Eaton of Thyo county, Cal., are spending the holidays at the Knutsford, with Mrs Eaton's father, Landlord G. S. Holmes of the hotel. Mr. Eaton is a well known cattleman with 16,000 head of stock pastured in Inyo and Mono counties, Cal.

A NOVEL DUEL.

Two Grooms Fight a Fatal One With

New York, Dec. 26.—A duel with pitchforks between two grooms employed in a fashionable riding academy in East Fifty-eighth street today, resulted in probably fatal injuries today to Thomas Connolly, whose eye and brain were penetrated by the prong of day to Thomas Connolly, whose eye and brain were penetrated by the prong of the fork wielded by James Cassidy. The two are said to have quarreled last night over the amount of tips each had received from patrons of the academy. Today they had another than the properties of the penetration of the properties of the properties of the penetration of the pen quarrel over the possession of a pitch-fork. Each armed with a pitchfork, fought for several minutes until Con-dolly was stabbed in the eye. Cassidy was arrested.

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PLANNING AN INSURRECTION

Orvin Morris Steps Down From It is Against American Rule in Cuba, the Philippines and Hawaii.

JAPANESE SAID TO BE AGENTS.

Gov. Magoon Investigating Reports-Japs Alleged to Have Photographed Havana Fortifications.

New York, Dec. 26.-The World today sublished a dispatch from Havana which states that Gov. Magoon is investigating a report that the Japanese are planning an insurrection in February against American rule in Cuba, the Philippines and Hawaii. The investigation, it is stated, was prompted by information received from a Cuban official named Pardinas, who, it is alleged, overheard five Japanese, said to be in Cuba, talking of an insurrection that was planned among the negroes of Cuba simultaneously with insurba simultaneously with insur-rection in the Philippines and Hawali. The presence of the Jap-anese, the dispatch says, has been not-ed by the secret police, because they ed by the secret police, because they are alleged to have been taking photo-graphs and measurements of the for-

CUBAN SITUATION GETTING DISAGREEABLE.

difications of Havana.

Washington, Dec. 26 .- Secy. Taft has received advices from Gov. Magoon at Havana indicating that a more or less unsettled condition of affairs exists in certain parts of Cuba and that in Santa Clara province some lawless bands are appearing and piliaging. Therefore at the governor's instance Gen. Bell has ordered a considerable re-enforcement of the garrison of American troops in that province. For the first time since the second occupation of the island by the second occupation of the island by the Americans it has become necessary for troops to undertake themselves the suppression of these disorders instead of leaving this task to the Cuban rural guards which, in some quarters is regarded as an indication of the inability of the Cuban civil authorities to permanently maintain peace in the is-

Gen. Bell, in company with Ger Wint, who will succeed him Jan. 1, in command of the American troops in Cuba, is now making a tour of the island with special reference to the mili-tary necessities in case further disturb-

NIAGARA FALLS.

Secy. Taft Preparing to Take up Question of Their Preservation. Washington, Dec. 26 .- Secy. Taft is

washington, Dec. 26.—Secy. Tart is preparing to take up for final disposition the complex questions presented to him under the terms of the Burton act relative to the conservation of the waters of the Niagara river so as to prevent the sacrifice of the falls to the commercial interests of the country. Grave constitutional questions are in-volved. Attorneys for the electric lighting and power companies which have been taking the water are Insistent that the national government has no right to regulate the disposition of waters of streams save where the navigation thereof is concerned. In the case of the Niagara river, where the water is taken from the stream above the falls, only to be returned to it again below, this issue is not in-volved. So far, however, the right of the United States government to regu-late the admission of currents of electricity generated on the Canadian side of the river has not been chal-lenged, and to this question the sec-retary intends to first address himself.

SAMUEL REYMER REUNITED WITH FAMILY.

Pittsburg, Dec. 26.—Samuel Reymer and his young wife, formerly Nellie Paris, a dancing girl, were yesterday reunited with the family of the husband after an estrangement of two years, during which time the young husband was disinherited by his father, Jacob Reymer, the candy king of Pittsburg. Young Reymer married Nellie Paris in March, 1905, after a stormy scene with his millionaire father, who demanded that he give the dancing girl up or lose his half of the Reymer millions. He was married within an

millions. He was married within an hour and was disinherited.

The father died soon after. Since that time the son has tried to make his own living, refusing overtures of mother and sister until yesterday, when er and sister until yesterday, when over a Christmas dinner, there was a family reunion. After marrying Miss Paris, Reymer took her to Denver, where he became very ill. He still refused, however, to have anything to do with his family, saying he could make his own way.

AM. HISTORICAL ASS'N.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 26.—A large gathering of men distinguished in his-torical and scientific research assem-bled at Brown university today in preparation of the opening exercises this evening of the American Historical society, political science, economic and educational associations convention. The sessions will continue for three days. The gathering was expected to be the largest of its kind ever held

to be the largest of its kind ever held in this city.

In connection with the convention, the American Historical convention will have its twenty-second annual meeting, continuing until the 29th. The American economival association has its nineteenth annual meeting Dec. 26 to 29. The Biographical Society of America will have its second annual gathering Dec. 27, and the twenty-first annual meeting of the New England History Teachers' association will land History Teachers' association will be held on Dec. 27. Many important papers have been prepared by promi-

STOLEN MONEY FOUND.

Kansas City, Dec. 26.—A special to the Star from Austin, says: Between \$7,000 and \$9,000 stolen by Anderson, former paying teller of the First National Bank of Kansas City. who was arrested here, has been found in Austin. The exact amount is not known, but an agent of the bonding company which bonded Anderson, said with what Anderson had turned over and this amount will reimburse the bond company for their loss.

BONI'S CREDITORS LOSE SUITS AGAINST MME. GOULD.

Paris. Dec. 23.—The three remaining suits brought by creditors with the object of making Madame Gould (formerly Countess Boni de Castellane), jointly responsible with the count for certain claims, were decided today. The court found that she was in no way responsible for the claims of Mr. Zeigler, one of the largest creditors, who claimed that it had been the practise of the Castellanes ever since their marriage to appeal to him to extricate them from financial difficulties, but held her joint-

ly liable for jewels valued at \$24,600 purchased from Mile Vera Nimidoff of Odessa, who sold the jewels to Count Boni through the intermediary of a jeweler. The court also found that Madame Gould was jointly liable for the sum of about \$57,000, the balance due to the Hartogs for a jewelry bill smothing to about \$137,000 provided the bill was not paid. Three experts were appointed to appraise the value of the jewelry.

BIG FIRE IN PERRY, IOWA. Perry, Ia., Dec. 26.—Fire here early today destroyed three business blocks. Loss, \$10,000.

SANTA CLAUS STABBED.

Ran Into Two Boys Who Were Frighteucd and They Knifed Him.

Tacoma Wush. Dec. 26.—"Santa Claus" was fatally stabbed in Tacoma Christmas eve. Finmore Fader was impersonating ployer's and employers and employers and employer's hothers' families. While running from one house to the other on south i street, he ran into two boys, one of whom became frightened and stabbed him in the neck and chest. Fader was taken to the hospital, where he lies in a precarious condition with his wife and baby at his bedside.

HAWAIIAN MED. ASS'N.

Honolulu. Dec. 26.—The Hawaiian Medical association has proposed legislation requiring all applicants for licenses to practise medicine to pass the necessary examinations in English. Many Japanese applicants have insisted on their examinations being conducted in the Japanese language. The present law on the subject is indefinite.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The Charleston Irrigation company filed an amendment to its articles of incor-poration with the secretary of state to

poration with the secretary of state to day by which the number of directors of the company is reduced from five to three.

A copy of the articles of incorporation of the Roosevelt Realty company of Roosevelt. Wasatch county, was filed in the secretary of state's office today. Its capital stock is \$25,000, divided into shares of the par value of \$100 each. W. E. Peck is president; Hyrum Baird, vice president; Thomas Smart, treasurer; W. E. Peck, Jr., secretary. The company will engage in the realty business on the reservation.

AFTERNOON ON EXCHANGE.

This afternoon sales of the regular call of the mining exchange were:

Carisa, 700 at 80.

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Daly-Judge, 400 at 12.62½.

Uncle Sam, 400 at 40.

Beck Tunnell, 600 at 1.82½.

Black Jack, 100 at 78.

Joe Bowers, 1.000 at 1½: 1.000 at 1½.

Little Chief, 1.100 at 19.

Lower Mammoth, 100 at 1.15, seller, 10.

Sacramento, 10,000 at 10; 1.000 at 10½.

South Columbus, 50 at 45.

Scottish Chief, 1,500 at 7.

BOSTON COPPER

James A. Pollock & Co. furnish the following quotations from Boston on copper stocks today:

Daly West, 18.002 19.00.
Bingham Con., 30.00330.50.
Bingham Central, 1.5061.634
Boston Con., 30.00330.50.
Cumberland Ely, 11.614/6012.00.
Newhouse, 16.26/617.00.
United States, pfd., 46.20/45.50.
United States, com., 60.5061.00.
Girour Con., 9.50/210.00.
Newada Con., 18.00718.50.

WEATHER REPORT

Record of the local office of the weather bureau for the 24 hours ending at 6 a m. today:

Temperature at 6 a. m., 46; maximum, 48; minimum, 46; mean, 48, which is 16 degrees above normal.

Total excess of the daily mean temperature since the first of the month, 127 decreases. grees.

Precipitation since the first of the month, 80 inch, which is 51 inch below the normal.

Excess deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1, 4.86 inches.

Relative humidity, 84 per cent.

FORECAST TILL . P. M. THURSDAY. Local forecast for Salt Lake City and Rain or snow tonight and Thursday.

R. J. HYATT, Section Director.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES.

YESTERDAY'S RECORD. HighestLowest

HUNT.—In Salt Lake, Dec. 24, 1908, Hasel, infant desighter of H. H. and Lillian Hunt.

The funeral services were held from the family residence, 1475 south Second East, today, at 2 p. m. Interment Mt. Olivet cometery. JENSEN.—At 58 Ruby avenue, this city. Dec. 24, 1906, of gastric ulcer, Amanda D. Jensen, wife of Jacob W. Jensen, aged 33 years; born in Draper, and daughter of Absolom W. and Mary A. Smith of Draper.
Funeral services will be held at Draper on Thursday, the 27th, Friends are invited to attend.

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content with locking up her talents and those of so many clever people in a vehicle so unsatisfactory. Not only was Miss Fealy admirable, but her support-

Buster Brown-Tonight the hilari-

Ollie Young and brother are hoop rolling experts who more than make

Grand—Crowded houses have thus far greeted the engagement of the company that is playing "At Cripple Creek," at the Grand theater, for the entire week, and the play promises to be a record breaker for the season.

Glen Miller, who is spending the holi-

A decided stir was caused in business and railroad circles this afternoon, when the announcement was

The gracery store of C. J. Foulger, 476 Third street, was entered by bur-

viction of the guilty.

PERSONALS.

H. O. Harkness, the well known

Sergeant Major Adolph Wells of the Twenty-ninth infantry, formerly of the German army, is a patient at Hot Springs, Ark.

Pitchforks.

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